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SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION OF LOCKHEED OPERATIONS IN GREECE

REF: (A) ATHENS 1466 (B) ATHENS 1654 (C) ATHENS 1694

1. IN CONNECTION WITH RECENT REVELATIONS IN THE PRESS  
ABOUT LOCKHEED PAYOFF ACTIVITIES AND THE CLAIM  
BY A FORMER HIGH OFFICIAL OF LOCKHEED THAT PAYMENTS OF  
\$500,000 HAD BEEN MADE TO GREEKS DURING THE PERIOD  
1968-74 TO PROMOTE THE SALE OF AIRCRAFT, GREEK DEFENSE  
MINISTER AVEROFF ANNOUNCED TUESDAY THAT AN INVESTIGATION  
OF LOCKHEED ACTIVITIES IN GREECE HAS BEEN UNDERWAY SINCE  
EARLY THIS YEAR. ATHENS NEWSPAPERS HAVE QUOTED AVEROFF  
AS SAYING, "FOLLOWING THE ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION  
THE LOCKHEED FILE HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE SUPREME  
COURT PROSECUTOR FOR JUDICAL INVESTIGATION".

2. AVEROFF FURTHER STATED THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT  
HAD BEEN CONTACTED IN A REQUEST FOR DOCUMENTS AND THAT  
OVER 2000 DOCUMENTS HAD BEEN PROVIDED CONCERNING LOCKHEED  
OPERATION IN GREECE. (THE EMBASSY IS NOT FULLY INFORMED  
ABOUT THE SPECIFICS OF DISCUSSIONS EARLIER THIS  
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YEAR BETWEEN OFFICIALS OF THE GREEK MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

AND OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON THIS MATTER.  
IF POSSIBLE WE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING BROUGHT  
UP-TO-DATE IN THIS RESPECT.)

3. LOCKHEED IS PARTICIPATING IN THE U.S. PAVILION AT  
THE THESSALONIKI FAIR OPENING SEPTEMBER 5. A CARTOON  
REFERRING TO LOCKHEED PAYOFFS APPEARED IN AN ATHENS  
NEWSPAPER AUGUST 30 WITH THE CAPTION "LOCKHEED WILL  
PARTICIPATE IN THE THESSALONIKI INTERNATIONAL  
TRADE FAIR, TOO".

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